The Ottomans: Europe’s Muslim Emperors

**Directions:** Use this worksheet to follow along with the video discussion concerning the development of the Ottoman Empire at the edge of Europe.  
*YOU WILL ONLY NEED TO WATCH THE FIRST 30 MINUTES OF THE FILM.*

1. What religious belief spread along with the territorial building of the Ottomans?

2. Why does modern day Turkey stand out from other, similar Middle Eastern cities? (What are the current issues with modern Middle Eastern cities?)

3. How long ago (years ago) did the Ottoman Empire come to be? Where was the empire’s birthplace?

4. Describe the founding family dynasty that started the Ottoman Empire. (What were they like???)

5. How did the early Ottomans adopt their religious beliefs?

6. Who was Osman? What was the myth behind his name that helped to define the beginnings of the Ottoman Empire?

7. In 1301 what happened to Osman and the Christian Byzantine Empire?

8. What did Osman’s son do only two years after Osman’s acceptance of the Ottoman throne? What did this do for the once nomadic group?
9. Explain the significance of the Macedonian city of Yamitza.

10. What happened in the year 1453 between the Ottomans and the Christian Byzantines?

11. What new technological invention aided the Ottoman soldiers in their siege against the capital city of Constantinople?

12. After the Constantinople takeover, how did the Ottomans restore the city to benefit the Ottoman Empire? How did he use the help of the Christians?

13. How did the former Roman Empire influence the goals of leaders head of the Ottoman Empire?

14. Where did victorious military leader turned emperor Maleic II conduct his first Islamic worship service following the siege of Constantinople?

15. Why was the location of Maleci’s worship service so significant? (What did this represent?) Today, what exist in this building?